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- 2. Planning Area/Site Number: 12/5 3. M-NCPPC Atlas Reference: Map 5 L-3
 - 4. Address: 17700 Comus Road, Dickerson
 - 5. Classification Summary

Category building
Ownership private building Previous Survey Recording M-NCPPC Title and Date: 1976 Inventory of Public Acquisition N/A Historical Sites occupied Accessible Federal State x County x Local private residence Present use

6. Date: 1857-1860

7. Original Owner: James Pearre

8. Apparent Condition

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- 10. Significance: This property lies on the south side of Comus Road, facing the extensive holdings owned by the Pearre family from the mid-18th century. William Pearré, the great grandson of the original Pearré settler, James, purchased this tract in 1842 and sold it to his son James in 1857. James probably built the farmhouse soon after, and in 1860 married Ann Delashmutt. They managed a prosperous farm for the next 50 years, and at their deaths their son Franklin A. purchased the property in 1914. He then granted a 1/5 interest to each of his three sisters and brother, George. In 1934 Franklin and his three sisters conveyed their interests to their brother George who owned the farm until his death in 1948. Since 1968 it has been owned by Mr. and Mrs. William Sharon Farr, who have granted an conservation easement over the entire property to the Maryland Environmental Trust.
- Michael Dwyer 11. Researcher and date researched: Mark Walston-5/79 Arch. Description
- 12. Compiler: Gail Rothrock
- 13. Date Compiled: 10/79

14. Designation Approval

15. Acreage: 223.41 acres

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST

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STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The James Pearré House, situated in the shadow of Sugarloaf Mountain, was, for nigh on a century, inhabited by members of the Pearré family, substantial agriculturalists and prominent citizens of early upper Montgomery County.

In 1842, William Pearré purchased at public auction, for \$640, 160 acres, parts of "Self Defense" and "Italy". This parcel William Pearré sold to his son James in 1857 for \$2,200, and it is believed that shortly afterward James constructed the oldest section of the present

house.2

James Pearré was married in 1860 to Ann Rebecca Delashmutt, and, for the better part of the next fifty years the Pearres farmed their property. Ann Pearré died in 1909; her husband James in 1912, intestate. Consequently, in 1914, the various heirs-at-law of James Pearré brought the property before the Montgomery County Courts, which ordered a sale of the property as a whole, with the proceeds to be equitably distributed among the heirs. The handbill for the sale, held on September 1, 1914, described the property as

...223 acres, 1 rood and 26 perches...improved by a large spacious dwelling house, the late residence of James Pearre, containing 12 rooms, large halls, cellar and fine porches; Bank barn 45 by 70 feet, double corn house and wagon shed, cement dairy and other necessary outbuildings. This tract is further improved by a comfortable 7 room dwelling house, barn 35 by 25 feet and outbuildings. This tract is especially well watered, pure spring water being forced to the mansion house by means of a hydraulic ram... the farm contains two fine apple orchards of the finest variety of apples.

At the sale, the farm was purchased by Franklin A. Pearre, son of James, for \$15,750.58; a price which included "1/2 interest in the growing crop of corn (the landlord's share) now growing on said farm". Almost immediately following the sale, Franklin Pearre granted a 1/5 interest to each of his brothers and sisters, George Pearre, Jr., Lydia, ellie and Jennie Pearre, reserving for himself a 1/5 interest. In 1934, however, Franklin Pearre and his sisters conveyed their interest in the property to George, Jr. who owned the farm until his death in 1948.6

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Montgomery County Land Records Montgomery County Orphan's Court Records Montgomery County Equity Records

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The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature, to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 Supplement.

The Survey and Inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

RETURN TO: Maryland Historical Trust

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The Shaw House, 21 State Circle

Annapolis, Maryland 21401

(301) 267-1438

Attachment Sheet A ames Pearre House

The inventory taken subsequent to George Pearre's death described the house as "two story frame, composition and wood shingle roof, part cellar, two porches, stove heated, 11 rooms, old and in poor condition". Since its purchase by the present owners in 1968, the house has been restored and remodeled.

FOOTNOTES:

- Montgomery County Equity Records, Judgment STS 1/165, Wm. Pearre vs.
- Land Records of Montgomery County, JGH 5/624, (Feb. 27, 1857). Equity Records, op. cit., Judgment 17/1, filed April 11,1814. Ibid., loc. cit.

- Land Records, op. cit., 246/361, (Oct. 6, 1914).
- Land Records of Montgomery County, 584/319, Aug. 2, 1934.
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MEMORANDUM

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John L. Menke, Director, Department of Environmental Protection

√ J. Rodney Little, Director, State Historic Preservation
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Susan Kuklewicz, Chairperson, Historic Preservation

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FROM:

Perry Berman, Chief, Community Planning North

PB

SUBJECT:

Approved and Adopted May 1983 Amendment to the Master

Plan for Historic Preservation

I am pleased to transmit to you the May 1983, Approved and Adopted Amendment to the Master Plan for Historic Preservation.

This amendment designates fourteen historic resources for preservation and protection under the County's Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code. In addition, it identifies 83 sites that have been reviewed and found not suitable for regulation under the Ordinance. Those properties listed on the Locational Atlas and Index of Historic Resources in Montgomery County, Maryland are also exempted from any further regulation under the Moratorium on Alteration and Demolition, Section 24A-10 of the Preservation Ordinance.

Please adjust your records to reflect this action. Should you have any questions concerning this amendment, please do not hesitate to contact Marty Reinhart of Community Planning North at 565-7354.

PB:MR:sdr Enclosure Board. Upon receiving a recommendation from the Historic Preservation Commission, the Planning Board will hold a public hearing to make its determination using the same criteria, considering the purposes of the Ordinance, and balancing the importance of the historic property with other public interests.

If the Planning Board decides to place the historic resource on the <u>Master Plan</u>, it will then recommend a master plan amendment to the County. The County Council may hold a hearing before it acts, if appropriate. Upon approval by the Council and adoption by the Planning Board of the proposed amendment, the historic resource would then become designated on the <u>Master Plan</u>, and, thus, subject to the protection of the Ordinance.

THE AMENDMENT

The purpose of this proposed Amendment is to add several historic sites and resources to chapter 4 of the <u>Master Plan for Historic Preservation</u>, and to create a new Appendix, listing historic sites or resources which have been determined not suitable for regulation under the Historic Preservation Ordinance, Chapter 24A of the Montgomery County Code.

The following historic sites and resources are recommended for inclusion in chapter 4: (A map of the site's location is provided on the page indicated.)

10/48 Kingsley School (p. 8)

- 1893 -- Unaltered one-room school house.
- Typical of the County's system in the late 1800's.
- The entire parcel of 1.9 acres is designated with a potential to reduce the environmental setting to one acre, the land area historically associated with one-room school houses.

12/2 Harris Houses (p. 9)

- 19th century farmstead associated with the Hays/Harris families, early settlers of the Barnesville area.
- Both houses are examples of the sectional growth of log dwellings later expanded by frame additions.
- Because the acreage associated with this site is protected under a conservation easement, the site is designated with an environmental setting for approximately 8.5 acres to include the main house and yards, the tenant house, and the bank barn along with the substantial vegetation and environmental features (portion of the stream valley) which define the farmstead.
- 12/5 James Pearre Farm (p. 9)
 - Mid-19th century brick farmhouse with unusual double external chimneys.

- Associated with the Pearre family, early agriculturalists and prominent citizens of upper Montgomery County.
- Because the acreage associated with this site is protected under a conservation easement, the site is designated with an environmental setting of approximately 6.7 acres to include the main house, the log dairy, the corn crib, and bank barn as features representative of the historic farmstead.

14/41 Goshen Mennonite Church (p. 10)

- 1870 -- Unique brick structure, based on a design by Washington architect, Walter West, and built by master builder S. G. Henseley.
- Site of one of the oldest Methodist Episcopal Churches in Montgomery County.
- The parcel includes, in addition to the church building, a cemetery and semicircular tree-shaded drive with wrought iron entrance gates, all of which contribute to the churchyard setting. The entire parcel should, therefore, be retained as the environmental setting.

14/59 Fertile Meadows (p. 10)

- Fine example of a late 18th century County farmhouse with a "distinctive southern Maryland flavor."
- Associated for nearly a century with the Riggs family, prominent businessmen and farmers in Montgomery County.
- An appropriate setting should include the main house, the log meat house and corn crib, plus sufficient land to protect the complex from future development.

14/60 Riggs/Wilcoxen House (p. 10)

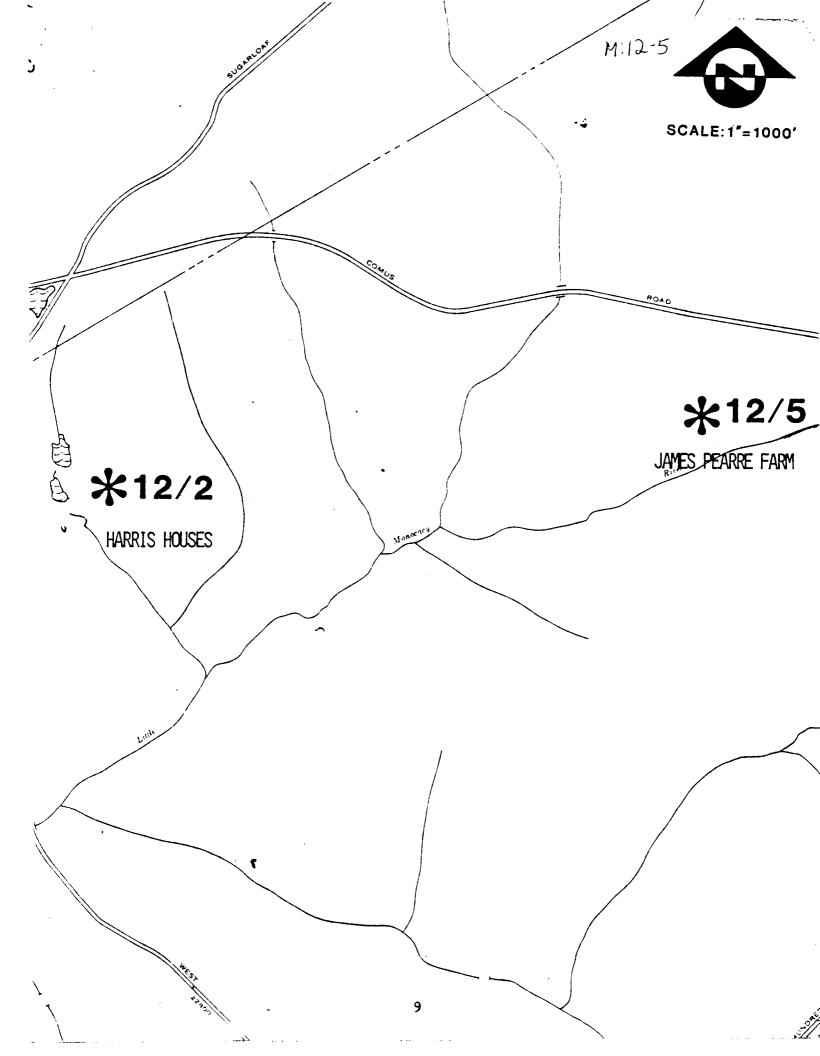
- Late 18th century, simple Federal style farmhouse with Flemish bond brickwork.
- Example of typical tenant farmhouse once found throughout the County.

15/65 Waters Gift (p. 11)

- Mid-18th century altered log farmhouse.
- Associated with the Waters family, early settlers of the northeastern part of the County.

22/17 Flint Hill II (p. 12)

- Early 19th century log and frame farmhouse.
- Associated with the Bowie family, a prominent family in Montgomery County and Maryland history.



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Due to a change in farming operations on our Comus Farms, we wifi sell tractors and other equipment at the farm located on Route 109 about 3/4 ml. East of Barnesville and 4 mi. Southwest of Hyattstown I-70 Interchange, in Montgomery County, Maryland on:

SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 1974

AT 10:30 A.M. TO WIT:

IHC Super M. Farmall tractor, IHC Farmall H tractor, IHC Super C. Farmall tractor & mounted attachments, 2 bottom plow, 2 row corn planter and cultivators, CASE, Model 400 tractor with 3 pt. hydraulic hitch, Continental Red Seal power unit, 6 cyl.-self starter, U.S. Air Corps, 3,000 W 110-V Model M-5 emergency electric generating plant with 4 cyl. gas engine. NEW IDEA No. 322-12 roll mounted corn picker-husker with low acreage use. Int.-MF grain and fertilizer drill with grass seeder. 3 rubber tire hay and silage wagons, racks & unloading endgates, wagon unloader unit and motor. Case Model E-2 grain and bale elevator, 36 ft. with electric motor. 2 NEW IDEA No. 12 rubber tire manure spreaders. New Idea rubber tire lime spreader, New Holland rubber tire time & fertilizer spreader. Bearcat Model 4A feed grinder with bagger and dust collector complete. FOX PTO forage harvester with quick detachable corn and grass heads. M-M power take off silage blower with pipe and Papec preservative distributor. IMC 4 Disc Model 44-43 plow, 2 IHC No. 8 three bottom plows, 6 shavel Chisel plow. IHC Model 198 8 ft. disc harrow, and 8 ft. cultipacker with grass seeder. IHC Model 34 hay conditioner like new. IHC Model 115 side mounted wrist action 7 ft. mower like new and cylinder for Hot M tractor hookup. IHC Model 25 V tractor mower 7 ft. cut. IHC No. 30 manure loader with snow blade, fits H. or M. hookup. IHC folding 4 section rotary hoe with 3 pt. hitch and fike new. Century sprayer on rubber tire trailer with drums and booms. DB pump

sprayer PTO with 200 gal. tank on rubber trailer. Danhuser post ger, tractor mounted with 8" & 12" augers. Woods Model 4 rubber tire 7 ft. rotary mower. DB hammermill with baggerreens. 10 ft. heavy duty wood cold drag, iron brace frame. Herd ress seeder-tractor mounted. Fresno roll-overtractor scrapergrader, garden tractor with attachments and miscellaneous equipment parts, hand tools, supply items and items not men-

tioned. AUCTIONEER'S NOTE - The above equipment is well maintained, has been stored under cover, in working order and some in nearly new condition.

TERMS OF SALE — Cash on day of sale before removal. Come early, sale will start on time. Few small items. Take Rt. 109 South from I-70 interchange toward Barnesville.

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